

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
URBANA DIVISION**

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )  
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Plaintiff,                 )  
v.                             )      **Case No. 17-CR-20037**  
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BRENDT A. CHRISTENSEN, )  
                                )  
Defendant.                 )

**ORDER**

The court enters the following scheduling order in this matter. If the parties believe the court has omitted any deadlines they believe should be incorporated into the scheduling order, they must file a motion seeking such incorporation with the court by March 5, 2018.

- May 18, 2018 Government disclosure to Defendant of Rule 16 material and evidence required to be disclosed under *Brady* and *Giglio*;  
  
Government supplemental disclosure to Defendant of expert witnesses in case-in-chief and expected evidence in support of aggravating factors.
- July 13 , 2018              Defense motions concerning any contested discovery matters related to either guilt/innocence or penalty phases of trial.

- Aug. 24, 2018      Defendant disclosure to Government of non-Rule 12.2 expert witnesses, including rebuttal experts;  
  
New and amended pretrial motions due (other than motions *in limine*), specifically including the following:
  - Discovery motions;
  - Constitutional challenges to the Federal Death Penalty Act;
  - Challenges to Superseding Indictment or Notice of Intent;
  - Factual and legal challenges to validity of aggravating factors;
  - Challenges to Grand Jury venire
  - Motions attacking institution of prosecution;
  - Bill of Particulars;
  - Motions to suppress evidence;
  - Challenges to Government's expert witnesses (including *Daubert* motions);
- Sept. 21, 2018      Defendant's deadline to give notice of intent to offer *Atkins* defense or Rule 12.2 evidence during the guilt and/or penalty phase.
- Sept. 28, 2018      Motion to examine Defendant pursuant to Defendant's notice of intent to offer *Atkins* defense or Rule 12.2 evidence during the guilt and/or penalty phase (if such defense offered);  
  
Motion for change of venue.
- October 16, 2018      Responses to pretrial motions;  
  
Government disclosure of rebuttal experts;  
  
Government's challenge to defense expert witnesses;  
  
Government's response to Defendant's challenge to Government experts;  
  
Response to any motion for change of venue.

- Nov. 16, 2018 Parties' objections to court's proposed Juror Questionnaire.
- December 7, 2018 Responses to objections to court's proposed Juror Questionnaire;  
  
Defendant's challenges to Government's rebuttal witnesses;
- Defendant's response to Government's challenges to defense experts;
- Replies to responses to pretrial motions (*only with prior leave of court*).
- December 14, 17, 18, and 19, 2018 Hearings on any pretrial motions and proposed Juror Questionnaire (if necessary)
- January 4, 2019 Submission of proposed jury instructions;  
  
Objections to the court's jury selection procedures (including *voir dire* process).
- January 11, 2019 Jury Questionnaires to be mailed.
- January 18, 2019 Objections to proposed jury instructions;  
  
Responses to objections to jury selection procedures (including *voir dire* process);
- Deadline for completion of Government testing based on Defendant's notice of intent to offer *Atkins* defense or introduce Rule 12.2 evidence during the trial and/or penalty phase (if such defense offered).
- February 1, 2019 Conference on jury instructions, jury selection procedures and *voir dire* process.
- February 8, 2019 Motions *in limine*;  
  
Anticipated date for completed Juror Questionnaires to be provided to the parties.

- March 1, 2019 Responses to motions *in limine*.
- March 4, 2019 Motions to strike potential jurors for cause based on their answers to Juror Questionnaire.
- March 11, 2019 Pretrial conference which shall include any necessary hearings on motions *in limine*, parties' motions to strike potential jurors for cause, and probable jury instruction conference;  
  
Government to provide defense with *Jencks* material pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3500;
- Parties to file witness lists, exhibit lists, and proposed *voir dire* questions.
- March 25, 2019 Final Pretrial Conference  
10:00 a.m.
- April 2, 2019 Jury Orientation  
9:00 a.m.
- April 3, 2019 Jury Selection begins  
9:00 a.m.

ENTERED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018.

s/ COLIN S. BRUCE  
U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE